केन्द्रीय मंत्रियों की विदेश यात्रायें

1696. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह :
श्री सुब्रहमण्यम स्वामी :
श्री राजूभाई ए. परमार :
श्री कपिल वर्मा :
श्रीमती वीणा वर्मा :
श्री प्रमोद महाजन :
कुमारी सरोज खापर्डे :

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत आठ महीनों के दौरान कितने केन्द्रीय मंत्रियों ने विदेशों का भ्रमण किया और कौन-कौन मंत्री किन-किन देशों में गये और ये यात्राएं किन-किन तारीखों को की गयीं और उनकी अवधि क्या-क्या रही और इन यात्राओं का प्रयोजन क्या था ;

(ख) उनकी यात्राओं पर कुल कितना खर्च हुआ और कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा खर्च हुई ; और

(ग) क्या विदेशी यात्राओं के खर्च में कटौती करने की नीति का इस पर कोई प्रभाव पड़ेगा ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुबोध कांत सहाय) : (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Formation of National Government at the Centre

1697. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

SHRIMATI MANORAMA PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister has recently expressed himself in favour of formation of a National Government at the Centre; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the other members of the Union Council of Ministers to his proposal?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMED SAYEED): (a) On 5th June, 1990, Prime Minister had expressed a personal view in favour of a national government based on a common minimum, programme and national consensus. He had also made it clear that this personal view had not been discussed with any of the political parties.

(b) This matter has not been discussed in the 'Council of Ministers.

Pension to Goa freedom fighters

1698. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of applications received from the Goa freedom fighters for the grant of pension;

(b) the number of those applicants who have so far been granted pension;

(c) what are the reasons for the delay in taking a decision on the remaining applications; and

(d) by when the remaining applications are likely to be disposed of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Statistics are being maintained by the Ministry of Home Affairs State/Union Territory-wise and not struggle/movement-wise. The total number of applications received from Goa, Daman & Diu upto the prescribed date, viz., 31.3,1982 is 3,257.

(b) Pension has been sanctioned in 873 eases.

(c) and (d) The remaining cases have also been decided. Pension has not been sanctioned in these cases.

Review committee to study Motor Vehicles Act, 1988

1699. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a review committee has been appointed by the Government to review the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988;

(b) if so, what are the terms of reference of the review committee;

(c) whether the review committee has submitted its report to the Government;

(d) if so, what are the salient features of the recommendations/suggestions made by the committee; and

(e) what is the decision, if any, taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE. TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNI-KRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Committee's terms of re-erence are to review the provisions of the Act and rules made thereunder, with a view to looking into genuine difficulties experienced by various users and interests in the implementation thereof and taking into account the. representations and suggestions received to make suitable recommendations for modifications, amendments, etc. for removal of such difficulties.

(c) The Committee's report is under finalisation and is expected to be submitted by 15.9.90.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Political rights of people of Indian origin in Fiji

1700. SHRI RAJUBHAI A, PAR-MAR:

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Fiji continues to deny political rights to the people of Indian origin there; and

(b) if so, what diplomatic measures have been taken by Government so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of India has taken up the issue with concerned countries on a bilateral basis. It has also raised it at appropriate international 'fora including the 1989 Non-Aligned Movement Summit, 1987 and 1989 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, 1987, 1988 1989 Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly, the Human Rights Sub-Commission for Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and Vulnerable Groups, 1990 Session of the Human Rights Commission, 1990 Meeting of the UN Committee on Programme and Coordination and 1990 Session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

News items captioned 'sale of jobs in the rural post office of Nalanda Distt. of Bihar

1701. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COM MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the report appearing in the Hindu, dated 14th June, 1990 regarding sale of jobs in